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**MEMORANDUM FOR:** Chairman, President's Foreign Intelligence Advisory Board

**SUBJECT:** Systems Training for Intelligence Personnel

1. I am attaching for the Board's information the report of USIB's Committee on Documentation on providing systems training for intelligence personnel. USIB approved this report on 25 MAR 1967.

2. In transmitting this report to you, I wish to note that over the last 18 months increased emphasis has been put by the intelligence community on training personnel in the information sciences. The formal training facilities of Government, industry and the academic world have been used extensively to train more people in more subjects.

3. We have also provided excellent opportunities for on-the-job-training through assignments to advanced information processing projects such as CII's CBITS and WALKUT, and DIA's Analyst Support and Research System (ASRS).

4. I feel certain that the implementation of the recommendations of this report will lead to further improvement in this important area of the Board's concern.

**SIGNED**

Richard Helms  
Chairman

**Attachment**

**cc:** Special Assistant to the President  
for Science and Technology

Secretary of Defense

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MEMORANDUM FOR: The Honorable Robert S. McNamara  
The Secretary of Defense

SUBJECT: Establishment of Training Courses at the  
Defense Intelligence School in Application  
of Information Science Technology to  
Intelligence

1. I am attaching for your information a report on  
Information Science Training for Intelligence Community  
Personnel, together with my memorandum transmitting it to  
the President's Foreign Intelligence Advisory Board.

2. The report was prepared in response to a recommendation  
made by the President's Board to provide specialized training  
in information systems thinking and skills to selected per-  
sonnel in the intelligence community. In approving the  
recommendation, the President requested that it be carried  
out by the intelligence community under my coordination.

3. The report, prepared by USIB's Committee on  
Documentation, has now been completed and concurred in by  
all members of the Board, including the Director, Defense  
Intelligence Agency. It recommends a balanced training  
program consisting of: (a) graduate level training for  
selected intelligence personnel at universities which have  
an outstanding program in the field of information science  
technology; (b) inclusion of additional data handling  
instruction in established curricula of present Government  
intelligence training facilities; and (c) specialized train-  
ing courses at the Defense Intelligence School in applying  
information science technology to specific categories of  
intelligence problems.

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4. Although all three facets of this program apply to the Department of Defense, the third one is a responsibility proposed uniquely for the Defense Intelligence Agency. What is proposed is specialized training at the Defense Intelligence School for personnel of all departments and agencies of the intelligence community designed to provide mid-career training to military and civilian intelligence personnel in the application of information science technology to intelligence problems. Hopefully the services of outstanding authorities could be enlisted to assist carefully selected in-house personnel in the development of these courses.

5. As a vital part of the overall effort to carry out the President's request that intelligence personnel be provided training in information science technology, I would appreciate it if the Department of Defense would undertake, on a priority basis, the development of these specialized courses at the Defense Intelligence School. As you know, the Director of Defense Research and Engineering has a member on the USIB Committee on Documentation and is thus aware of this proposed program. Also, I understand that this matter has been discussed informally with the Assistant Secretary of Defense (Administration).

**SIGNED**

Richard Helms  
Director

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